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divisionpoints

Create division points for estimation of a dynamic survival model

## **Description**

Create a vector of division points for the model. These points mark the times at which the parameters are allowed to evolve, with the parameters being fixed between division points. The points are generated in a data driven fashion, with a new point being created when events number of interesting events have been observed since the last division point.

#### Usage

```
divisionpoints(times, delta, events = 1)
```

## Arguments

times	A vector of real, positive numbers indicating the survival times. For right censored data, this is the follow up time.
delta	A vector of status indicators, with $0 =$ alive and $1 =$ dead. Other choices are TRUE/FALSE (TRUE = death) or $1/2$ ( $2 =$ death).
events	A positive integer indicating the number of interesting events per interval until a new division is created.

#### Value

Returns an integer vector of time points to be used as division points S in shrinkDSM.

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```
data("gastric")

# Create intervals for piecewise exponential model
intervals <- divisionpoints(gastric$time, gastric$status, 2)</pre>
```

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gastric

Survival times of gastric cancer patients

## **Description**

A data set of survival times of patients with locally advanced, nonresectable gastric carcinoma. The patients were either treated with chemotherapy plus radiation or chemotherapy alone.

## Usage

gastric

#### **Format**

A data frame with 90 rows and 4 variables:

id patient id

**radiation** dummy variable indicating which treatment was employed, 0 = chemotherapy, 1 = combined chemotherapy/radiation

time time survived by patient in days

**status** dummy variable indicating whether death of the patient was observed, 0 = death not observed (i.e. censored), 1 = death observed.

#### **Source**

Moreau, T., O'Quigley, J., and Mesbah M. (1985) A global goodness-of-fit statistic for the proportional hazards model Appl. Statist., 34, 212:218 (p 213)

https://www.mayo.edu/research/documents/gastrichtml/DOC-10027680

plot.mcmc.dsm.tvp

Graphical summary of posterior distribution for a piecewise constant, time-varying parameter

#### **Description**

plot.mcmc.dsm.tvp plots empirical posterior quantiles for a piecewise constant, time-varying parameter.

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#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mcmc.dsm.tvp'
plot(
  Х,
  probs = c(0.025, 0.25, 0.75, 0.975),
  shaded = TRUE,
  quantlines = FALSE,
  shadecol = "skyblue",
  shadealpha = 0.5,
  quantlty = 2,
  quantcol = "black",
  quantlwd = 0.5,
  drawzero = TRUE,
  zerolty = 2,
  zerolwd = 1,
  zerocol = "grey",
)
```

## **Arguments**

shaded

x mcmc.dsm.tvp object

probs vector of boundaries for credible intervals to plot for each point in time, with values in [0,1]. The largest and smallest value form the outermost credible interval, the second smallest and second largest the second outermost and so forth.

The default value is c(0.025, 0.25, 0.75, 0.975). Note that there have to be

the same number of probs < 0.5 as there are > 0.5.

single logical value or a vector of logical values, indicating whether or not to shade the area between the pointwise credible intervals. If a vector is given, the first value given is used to determine if the area between the outermost credible interval is shaded, the second for the second outermost and so forth. Recycled in the usual fashion if the vector is shorter than the number of quantile pairs. The

default value is TRUE.

quantlines single logical value or a vector of logical values, indicating whether or not to

draw borders along the pointwise credible intervals. If a vector is given, the first value given is used to determine whether the outermost credible interval is marked by lines, the second for the second outermost and so forth. Recycled in the usual fashion if the vector is shorter than the number of credible intervals.

The default value is FALSE.

shadecol single character string or a vector of character strings. Determines the color of the shaded areas that represent the credible intervals. If a vector is given,

of the snaded areas that represent the credible intervals. If a vector is given, the first color given is used for the outermost area, the second for the second outermost and so forth. Recycled in the usual fashion if the vector is shorter than the number of shaded areas. Has no effect if shaded = FALSE. The default

value is "skyblue".

shadealpha real number between 0 and 1 or a vector of real numbers between 0 and 1. De-

termines the level of transparency of the shaded areas that represent the credible

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intervals. If a vector is given, the first value given is used for the outermost area, the second for the second outermost and so forth. Recycled in the usual fashion if the vector is shorter than the number of shaded areas. Has no effect if shaded = FALSE. The default value is 0.5.

quantlty

either a single integer in [0,6] or one of the character strings "blank", "solid", "dashed", "dotted", "dotdash", "longdash", "twodash" or a vector containing these. Determines the line type of the borders drawn around the shaded areas that represent the credible intervals. Note that if a vector is supplied the elements have to either be all integers or all character strings. If a vector is given, the first value given is used for the outermost area, the second for the second outermost and so forth. Recycled in the usual fashion if the vector is shorter than the number of shaded areas. Has no effect if quantlines = FALSE. The default value is 2.

quantcol

single character string or a vector of character strings. Determines the color of the borders drawn around the shaded areas that represent the credible intervals. If a vector is given, the first color given is used for borders of the outermost area, the second for the second outermost and so forth. Recycled in the usual fashion if the vector is shorter than the number of shaded areas. Has no effect if quantlines = FALSE. The default value is "black".

quantlwd

single real, positive number or a vector of real, positive numbers. Determines the line width of the borders drawn around the shaded areas that represent the credible intervals. If a vector is given, the first number given is used for the borders of the outermost area, the second for the second outermost and so forth. Recycled in the usual fashion if the vector is shorter than the number of shaded areas. Has no effect if quantlines = FALSE. The default value is 0.5.

drawzero

single logical value determining whether to draw a horizontal line at zero or not. The default value is TRUE.

zerolty

single integer in [0,6] or one of the character strings "blank", "solid", "dashed", "dotted", "dotdash", "longdash", "twodash". Determines the line type of the horizontal line at zero. Has no effect if drawzero = FALSE. The default value

is 2.

zerolwd

single real, positive number. Determines the line width of the horizontal line at zero. Has no effect if drawzero = FALSE. The default value is 1.

zerocol

single character string. Determines the color of the horizontal line at zero. Has

no effect if drawzero = FALSE. The default value is "grey".

further arguments to be passed to plot.

#### Value

Called for its side effects and returns invisibly.

#### Author(s)

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#### See Also

Other plotting functions: plot.shrinkDSM\_pred(), plot.shrinkDSM()

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#### **Examples**

plot.shrinkDSM

Graphical summary of posterior distribution of fitted dynamic survival model

## Description

plot.shrinkDSM generates plots visualizing the posterior distribution estimated as a result from a call to shrinkDSM.

#### Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'shrinkDSM'
plot(
    x,
    pars = c("beta"),
    nplot = 3,
    h_borders = c(0.05, 0.05),
    w_borders = c(0.02, 0.02),
    ...
)
```

## **Arguments**

a shrinkDSM object.

pars a character vector containing the names of the parameters to be visualized. The

names have to coincide with the names of the list elements of the shrinkDSM object. Throws an error if any element of pars does not fulfill this criterium.

The default is c("beta").

nplot positive integer that indicates the number of tvp plots to display on a single page

before a new page is generated. The default value is 3.

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h\_borders single real, positive number smaller than 0.5 or a vector containing two such

numbers. Determines the relative amount of space (the total amount summing up to 1) left blank on the left and right of the plot, in that order. The default is

c(0.05, 0.05).

w\_borders single real, positive number smaller than 0.5 or a vector containing two such

numbers. Determines the relative amount of space (the total amount summing up to 1) left blank at the top and bottom of the plot, in that order. The default is

c(0.02, 0.02).

... further arguments to be passed to the respective plotting functions.

#### Value

Called for its side effects and returns invisibly.

#### Author(s)

```
Peter Knaus <peter.knaus@wu.ac.at>
```

#### See Also

```
Other plotting functions: plot.mcmc.dsm.tvp(), plot.shrinkDSM_pred()
```

plot.shrinkDSM\_pred Graphical summary of posterior predictive density

## **Description**

plot.shrinkDSM\_pred generates plots visualizing the posterior predictive density generated by predict.shrinkDSM.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'shrinkDSM_pred'
plot(x, dens_args, legend = TRUE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

x a shrinkDSM\_pred object.

dens\_args optional named list containing arguments passed to density.

legend logical value inidicating whether a legend should be added. Defaults to TRUE.

... further arguments to be passed to plots.

#### Value

Called for its side effects and returns invisibly.

#### See Also

Other plotting functions: plot.mcmc.dsm.tvp(), plot.shrinkDSM()

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predict.shrinkDSM Draw from posterior predictive density of a fitted time-varying parameter survival model	predict.shrinkDSM	Draw from posterior predictive density of a fitted time-varying parameter survival model
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## Description

Draws from the posterior predictive distribution of survival times based on a fitted time-varying parameter survival model resulting from a call to shrinkDSM.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'shrinkDSM'
predict(object, newdata, cens = TRUE, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

object	an object of class shrinkDSM, containing the fitted model.
newdata	a data frame containing the covariates used for the prediction. The names of the covariates have to match the names used during model estimation in the call to shrinkDSM.
cens	logical value indicating whether the predictions should be censored at the largest

survival time in the data used for estimation. The default value is TRUE.

survivar time in the data used for estimation. The default value is in

... included for S3 method consistency and currently ignored.

## Value

The value returned is a list object of class shrinkTVP\_pred containing the samples from the posterior predictive density.

#### Author(s)

```
Peter Knaus <peter.knaus@wu.ac.at>
Daniel Winkler <dwinkler@wu.ac.at>
```

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```
# Draw from posterior predictive distribution
newdata <- data.frame(radiation = c(0, 1))
pred <- predict(mod, newdata = newdata)</pre>
```

prep\_tvinput

Prepare time-varying inputs for estimation of a dynamic survival model

#### **Description**

This function pre-processes time-varying inputs in such a way that shrinkDSM can work with time-varying inputs. Its main inputs are two data frames, namely surv\_data and covariate\_data. surv\_data contains meta data about each observation (i.e. survival time and censoring indicator), while covariate\_data contains the time-varying covariates (one per observation and time interval) and an index for which time interval each covariate is observed in. The two are merged together via an ID that needs to be unique for each observation and present in both surv\_data and covariate\_data.

#### Usage

```
prep_tvinput(
    surv_data,
    covariate_data,
    id_var,
    surv_var,
    delta_var,
    interval_var,
    covariate_id_var = id_var
)
```

## **Arguments**

surv\_data data frame containing meta-data for each observation (survival time and censor-

ing indicator) as well as an ID for each observation.

covariate\_data data frame containing the time-varying covariates (one per observation and time

interval), an index for which time interval each covariate is observed in as well

as an ID for each observation.

id\_var character string specifying the column name of the ID variable. If the name is

different in surv\_data and covariate\_data, id\_var will be used in surv\_data,

whereas covariate\_id\_var will be used in covariate\_data.

surv\_var character string specifying the column name of the survival times in surv\_data.

delta\_var character string specifying the column name of the status indicators in surv\_data,

0 =censored or 1 =event observed..

interval\_var character string specifying the column name of the time interval ID in covariate\_data.

covariate\_id\_var

character string specifying the column name of the ID variable in covariate\_data. Defaults to id\_var.

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#### Value

Returns an object of class data. frame and tvsurv to be used as an input in shrinkDSM.

## Author(s)

```
# A toy example with 5 observations and 2 covariates, observed over 3 time periods
set.seed(123)
n_obs <- 5
surv_var < - round(rgamma(n_obs, 1, .1)) + 1
delta_var <- sample(size = n_obs, c(0, 1), prob = c(0.2, 0.8), replace = TRUE)
surv_data <- data.frame(id_var = 1:n_obs, surv_var, delta_var)</pre>
# Determine intervals
S \leftarrow c(3, 11)
# Create synthetic observations for each individual
covariate_list <- list()</pre>
for (i in 1:n_obs) {
  nr_periods_survived <- sum(surv_var[i] > S) + 1
  covariate_list[[i]] <- data.frame(id_var = i,</pre>
                                     interval_var = 1:nr_periods_survived,
                                     x1 = rnorm(nr_periods_survived),
                                     x2 = rnorm(nr_periods_survived))
}
# Bind all individual covariate data frames together
# Each observation now has a covariate in each period they
# were observed in.
covariate_data <- do.call(rbind, covariate_list)</pre>
# Call prep_tvinput to pre-process for shrinkDSM
merged_data <- prep_tvinput(surv_data,</pre>
                             covariate_data,
                             id_var = "id_var",
                             surv_var = "surv_var",
                             delta_var = "delta_var",
                             interval_var = "interval_var")
# Can now be used in shrinkDSM
# Note that delta is now automatically extracted from merged_data,
# providing it will throw a warning
mod <- shrinkDSM(surv_var ~ x1 + x2, merged_data, S = S)</pre>
```

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print.shrinkDSM

Nicer printing of shrinkDSM objects

## Description

Nicer printing of shrinkDSM objects

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'shrinkDSM'
print(x, ...)
```

## Arguments

```
x a shrinkDSM object.... Currently ignored.
```

#### Value

Called for its side effects and returns invisibly.

#### Author(s)

```
Peter Knaus <peter.knaus@wu.ac.at>
```

shrinkDSM

Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) for time-varying parameter survival models with shrinkage

## **Description**

shrinkDSM samples from the joint posterior distribution of the parameters of a time-varying parameter survival model with shrinkage and returns the MCMC draws. See also shrinkTVP to see more examples of how to modify the prior setup of the time-varying component of the model.

## Usage

```
shrinkDSM(
  formula,
 data,
 mod_type = "double",
  delta,
  S,
  group,
  subset,
  niter = 10000,
  nburn = round(niter/2),
  nthin = 1,
  learn_a_xi = TRUE,
  learn_a_tau = TRUE,
  a_xi = 0.1,
  a_tau = 0.1
 learn_c_xi = TRUE,
 learn_c_tau = TRUE,
  c_xi = 0.1,
  c_{tau} = 0.1,
  a_eq_c_xi = FALSE,
  a_eq_c_tau = FALSE,
  learn_kappa2_B = TRUE,
  learn_lambda2_B = TRUE,
  kappa2_B = 20,
  lambda2_B = 20,
  hyperprior_param,
  sv_param,
 MH_tuning,
 phi_param,
 display_progress = TRUE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

formula

an object of class "formula": a symbolic representation of the model, as in the function lm. For details, see formula.

data	optional data frame containing the response variable and the covariates. If not found in data, the variables are taken from environment(formula), typically the environment from which shrinkDSM is called. No NAs are allowed in the response variable and the covariates.
mod_type	character string that reads either "triple", "double" or "ridge". Determines whether the triple gamma, double gamma or ridge prior are used for theta_sr and beta_mean. The default is "double".
delta	The status indicator of the last period, $0 = $ censored or $1 = $ event observed.
S	integer vector of time points that start a new interval. Parameters are fixed within an interval and vary across intervals.
group	optional grouping indicator for latent factor.
subset	optional vector specifying a subset of observations to be used in the fitting process.
niter	positive integer, indicating the number of MCMC iterations to perform, including the burn-in. Has to be larger than or equal to nburn + 2. The default value is 10000.
nburn	non-negative integer, indicating the number of iterations discarded as burn-in. Has to be smaller than or equal to niter - 2. The default value is round(niter / 2).
nthin	positive integer, indicating the degree of thinning to be performed. Every nthin draw is kept and returned. The default value is 1, implying that every draw is kept.
learn_a_xi	logical value indicating whether to learn a_xi, the spike parameter of the state variances. The default value is TRUE.
learn_a_tau	logical value indicating whether to learn a_tau, the spike parameter of the mean of the initial values of the states. The default value is TRUE.
a_xi	positive, real number, indicating the (fixed) value for a_xi. Ignored if learn_a_xi is TRUE or mod_type is set to "ridge". The default value is 0.1.
a_tau	positive, real number, indicating the (fixed) value for a_tau. Ignored if learn_a_tau is TRUE or mod_type is set to "ridge". The default value is 0.1.
learn_c_xi	logical value indicating whether to learn c_xi, the tail parameter of the state variances. Ignored if mod_type is not set to "triple" or a_eq_c_xi is set to TRUE. The default value is TRUE.
learn_c_tau	logical value indicating whether to learn c_tau, the tail parameter of the mean of the initial values of the states. Ignored if mod_type is not set to "triple" or a_eq_c_tau is set to TRUE. The default value is TRUE.
c_xi	positive, real number, indicating the (fixed) value for $c_xi$ . Ignored if $learn_c_xi$ is TRUE, mod_type is not set to "triple" or $a_eq_c_xi$ is set to TRUE. The default value is $0.1$ .
c_tau	positive, real number, indicating the (fixed) value for c_tau. Ignored if learn_c_xi is TRUE, mod_type is not set to "triple" or a_eq_c_tau is set to TRUE. The default value is 0.1.

a\_eq\_c\_xi

logical value indicating whether to force a\_xi and c\_xi to be equal. If set to TRUE, beta\_a\_xi and alpha\_a\_xi are used as the hyperparameters and beta\_c\_xi and alpha\_c\_xi are ignored. Ignored if mod\_type is not set to "triple". The default value is FALSE.

a\_eq\_c\_tau

logical value indicating whether to force a\_tau and c\_tau to be equal. If set to TRUE, beta\_a\_tau and alpha\_a\_tau are used as the hyperparameters and beta\_c\_tau and alpha\_c\_tau are ignored. Ignored if mod\_type is not set to "triple". The default value is FALSE.

learn\_kappa2\_B logical value indicating whether to learn kappa2\_B, the global level of shrinkage for the state variances. The default value is TRUE.

learn\_lambda2\_B

logical value indicating whether to learn the lambda2\_B parameter, the global level of shrinkage for the mean of the initial values of the states. The default value is TRUE.

kappa2\_B

positive, real number. Initial value of kappa2\_B. The default value is 20.

lambda2\_B

positive, real number. Initial value of lambda2 B. The default value is

hyperprior\_param

optional named list containing hyperparameter values. Not all have to be supplied, with those missing being replaced by the default values. Any list elements that are misnamed will be ignored and a warning will be thrown. All hyperparameter values have to be positive, real numbers. The following hyperparameters can be supplied:

- e1: The default value is 0.001.
- e2: The default value is 0.001.
- d1: The default value is 0.001.
- d2: The default value is 0.001.
- beta\_a\_xi: The default value is 10.
- beta\_a\_tau: The default value is 10.
- alpha a xi: The default value is 5.
- alpha\_a\_tau: The default value is 5.

sv\_param

optional named list containing hyperparameter values for the stochastic volatility parameters. Not all have to be supplied, with those missing being replaced by the default values. Any list elements that are misnamed will be ignored and a warning will be thrown. Ignored if group is missing. The following elements can be supplied:

- Bsigma\_sv: positive, real number. The default value is 1.
- a0\_sv: positive, real number. The default value is 5.
- b0\_sv: positive, real number. The default value is 1.5.

MH\_tuning

optional named list containing values used to tune the MH steps for a\_xi and a\_tau. Not all have to be supplied, with those missing being replaced by the default values. Any list elements that are misnamed will be ignored and a warning will be thrown. The arguments for a\_xi(a\_tau) are only used if learn\_a\_xi(learn\_a\_tau) is set to TRUE. Arguments ending in "adaptive" are logical values indicating whether or not to make the MH step for the respective parameter adaptive. Arguments ending in "tuning\_par" serve two different

purposes. If the respective MH step is not set to be adaptive, it acts as the standard deviation of the proposal distribution. If the respective MH step is set to be adaptive, it acts as the initial standard deviation. Arguments ending in "target\_rate" define the acceptance rate the algorithm aims to achieve. Arguments ending in "max\_adapt" set the maximum value by which the logarithm of the standard deviation of the proposal distribution is adjusted. Finally, arguments ending in "batch\_size" set the batch size after which the standard deviation of the proposal distribution is adjusted. The following elements can be supplied:

- a\_xi\_adaptive: logical value. The default is TRUE.
- a\_xi\_tuning\_par: positive, real number. The default value is 1.
- a\_xi\_target\_rate: positive, real number, between 0 and 1. The default value is 0.44.
- a\_xi\_max\_adapt: positive, real number. The default value is 0.01.
- a\_xi\_batch\_size: positive integer. The default value is 50.
- a\_tau\_adaptive: logical value. The default is TRUE.
- a\_tau\_tuning\_par: positive, real number. The default value is 1.
- a\_tau\_target\_rate: positive, real number, between 0 and 1. The default value is 0.44.
- a\_tau\_max\_adapt: positive, real number. The default value is 0.01.
- a\_tau\_batch\_size: positive integer. The default value is 50.

phi\_param

optional named list containing hyperparameter values for the grouped factor and values to tune the MH steps for a\_phi and c\_phi. Not all have to be supplied, with those missing being replaced by the default values. Any list elements that are misnamed will be ignored and a warning will be thrown. Ignored if group is missing. The following elements can be supplied:

- mod\_type\_phi character string that reads either "triple", "double" or "ridge". Determines whether the triple gamma, double gamma or ridge prior are used for phi. The default is "double".
- learn\_a\_phi: logical value. The default is TRUE.
- a\_phi: positive, real number. The default value is 0.1.
- learn\_c\_phi: logical value. The default is TRUE.
- c\_phi: positive, real number. The default value is 0.1,
- a\_phi\_eq\_c\_phi: logical value. The default is FALSE.
- learn\_lambda2\_B\_phi: logical value. The default is TRUE.
- lambda2\_B\_phi: positive, real number. The default value is 20.
- e1\_phi: positive, real number. The default value is 0.001.
- e2\_phi: positive, real number. The default value is 0.001.
- beta\_a\_phi: positive, real number. The default value is 10.
- alpha\_a\_phi: positive, real number. The default value is 5.
- beta\_c\_phi: positive, real number. The default value is 10.
- alpha\_c\_phi: positive, real number. The default value is 5.
- a\_phi\_adaptive: logical value. The default is TRUE.
- a\_phi\_tuning\_par: positive, real number. The default value is 1.

- a\_phi\_target\_rate: positive, real number, between 0 and 1. The default value is 0.44.
- a\_phi\_max\_adapt: positive, real number. The default value is 0.01.
- a\_phi\_batch\_size: positive integer. The default value is 50.
- c\_phi\_adaptive: logical value. The default is TRUE.
- c\_phi\_tuning\_par: positive, real number. The default value is 1.
- c\_phi\_target\_rate: positive, real number, between 0 and 1. The default value is 0.44.
- c\_phi\_max\_adapt: positive, real number. The default value is 0.01.
- c\_phi\_batch\_size: positive integer. The default value is 50.

## display\_progress

logical value indicating whether the progress bar and other informative output should be displayed. The default value is TRUE.

#### Value

The value returned is a list object of class shrinkDSM containing

beta	list object containing an mcmc.dsm.tvp object for the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of the centered states, one for each covariate. In the case that there is only one covariate, this becomes just a single mcmc.dsm.tvp object.
beta_mean	mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of beta_mean.
theta_sr	mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of the square root of theta.
tau2	mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of tau2.
xi2	mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of $xi2$ .
lambda2	(optional) mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of lambda2. Not returned if mod_type is not "triple".
kappa2	(optional) mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of kappa2. Not returned if mod_type is not "triple".
a_xi	(optional) mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of a_xi. Not returned if learn_a_xi is FALSE or mod_type is "ridge".
a_tau	(optional) mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of a_tau. Not returned if learn_a_tau is FALSE or mod_type is "ridge".
c_xi	(optional) mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of c_xi. Not returned if learn_c_xi is FALSE or mod_type is not "triple".
c_tau	(optional) mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of c_tau. Not returned if learn_c_tau is FALSE or mod_type is not "triple".

lambda2_B	(optional) mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of lambda2_B. Not returned if learn_lambda2_B is FALSE or mod_type is "ridge".
kappa2_B	(optional) mcmc object containing the parameter draws from the posterior distribution of kappa2_B. Not returned if learn_kappa2_B is FALSE or mod_type is "ridge".
MH_diag	(optional) named list containing statistics for assessing MH performance. Not returned if no MH steps are required or none of them are specified to be adaptive.
priorvals	list object containing hyperparameter values of the prior distributions, as specified by the user.
model	list object containing the model matrix, model response and formula used.
summaries	list object containing a collection of summary statistics of the posterior draws.

To display the output, use plot and summary. The summary method displays the specified prior values stored in priorvals and the posterior summaries stored in summaries, while the plot method calls coda's plot.mcmc or the plot.mcmc.dsm.tvp method. Furthermore, all functions that can be applied to coda::mcmc objects (e.g. coda::acfplot) can be applied to all output elements that are coda compatible.

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set.seed(123)
data("gastric")
# Create intervals for piecewise exponential model
intervals <- divisionpoints(gastric$time, gastric$status, 2)</pre>
# Estimate baseline model
mod <- shrinkDSM(time ~ radiation, gastric,</pre>
                 delta = gastric$status, S = intervals)
# Estimate model with different prior setup
mod2 <- shrinkDSM(time ~ radiation, gastric,</pre>
                 delta = gastric$status, S = intervals,
                 mod_type = "triple")
# Change some of the hyperparameters
mod3 <- shrinkDSM(time ~ radiation, gastric,</pre>
                 delta = gastric$status, S = intervals,
                 mod_type = "triple",
                 hyperprior_param = list(beta_a_xi = 5,
                                          alpha_a_xi = 10)
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